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BOARD OF SELECTMEN
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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

Town Hall, Room 201

(This public meeting was recorded.)

Present:

Armand Diarbekirian, Selectman

Chris DiSilva, Chairman/Selectman

David Gavin, Selectman

Melissa Levine-Piro, Selectman

Justine St. John, Selectman

Gregory W. Johnson, Town Administrator

Megan Zammuto, Assistant Town

Administrator

Becky Mosca, Administrative Assistant

1. Meeting Opening

Mr. DiSilva called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. No requests for public comment were heard.

2. Acceptance of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro to accept and approve the August 27, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as shown.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to accept and approve the September 10, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as shown.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

3. Correspondence

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Diarbekirian to accept the list of four correspondence items (A thru D), as presented.

A. MDAR MA Renewable Portfolio Standards (RFP) with proposed changes

B. Assabet Valley Chamber – Check out their newest Members

C. Maynard Recreation Basketball Program Registration is now open

D. ISO Report for the Maynard Fire Department

Mr. Gavin asked about the Class 3 rating for the Maynard Fire Department. Mr. Johnson said the Class 3 rating is very high and that the Maynard Fire Department should be commended.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

4. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to accept and approve the list of the Consent Agenda item, A as shown.

- a. One-Day Special Permit – Event – Earth Day Sunday, May 3, 2020.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

5. Application Request for Menorah

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Diarbekirian to accept and approve the application for Special Permit to add Menorah in Memorial Park with event on Sunday, December 22, 2019, 5:00 pm set up time with event at 6:30 pm

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

6. Representative Kate Hogan

Representative Kate Hogan, read aloud a statement describing the state’s FY20 Budget totally approximately \$43.4 billion, with \$1.1 billion in local aid and \$5.2 billion in Chapter 70 Education Funding. Statement attached to back of minutes.

7. Public hearing in consideration of increased trash stickers

Mr. DiSilva read the notice that “the Maynard Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at 7:20 P.M. in the Michael J. Gianotis meeting Room (No. 201) at the Maynard Town Building. The purpose of the hearing is to determine the new fees for trash stickers. The public is welcome to attend.”

Board members provided comments and concerns, including questions as to the amount to raise the prices, if any, and when. The sense of the Board was in agreement to postpone discussion on the matter until the new Department of Public Works Director, Justin Demarco, started and had time to evaluate the existing conditions of the operations, contracts and finances, in order to provide his recommendations. One member suggested investigating the inclusion of business’ dumpsters.

Residents also had comments and concerns, mostly in favor with raising the fees but would like more dates and hours for the recycle drop offs and more pick up dates for the yard waste.

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded Ms. Levine-Piro to suspend the closing of the hearing until October 15, 2019.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

8. Art Space Introduction and Presentation

Jerry Beck, new Executive Director for ArtSpace Maynard, introduced himself and provided a presentation to highlight his vision that includes taking public art to the next level for our community.

Board welcomed him and all his ideas and vision.

9. Request Approval for Host Community Agreement with NewCann Group LLC.

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro to approve the Host Community Agreement with New Cann Group, LLC for a proposed Registered Marijuana Dispensary without location for a point of six months.

At the end of six months they must bring forward a location for approval by the Board, otherwise, the agreement is null and void.

Voted: *4-1 (Mr. Gavin opposed).*

10. Maynard Meeting Approved Easements

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro that the Board accept the easement for Easement Area A including 21,360 sq. ft. and Easement Area B including 692 sq. ft. as shown on a plan by Control Point Associates dated October 18, 2017. For land on Parker Street which plan is part of the agenda and as approved at the 2018, Town meeting and the 2019 Annual Town Meeting authorize the chair to enter into and execute any and all documents required to effectuate same.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

11. Special Town Meeting Warrant

Accept Citizens' Petition for Special Town Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to accept any Citizens' Petitions for Special Town Meeting, October 28, 2019.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to accept and approve the Special Town Meeting Warrant, for Monday October 28, 2019 at Fowler School Auditorium at 7:00 pm

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

12. Budget Message FY2021

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Gavin to approve the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Message.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

13. Town Administrator Report

Mr. Johnson asked for guidance related to issuing a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) to perform an assessment of the roofing system of the oldest sections of the Green Meadow Elementary School, instead of an envelope study for the entire building.

Questions from the Board included a concern that a study of the roof may not provide a complete report on the structural issues that must be addressed in the school. The Board also wanted to meet the intentions of the School Committee to have the work completed over the summer of 2020.

Mr. Johnson responded that he had already submitted an advertisement of a RFQ for the roofing study to the Secretary of State's Central Registry, but will request it withdrawn. Mr. Johnson stated his uncertainty as to the timeline for developing, issuing, advertising, receiving and evaluating a new RFQ for an envelope study for the entire building, and reporting on the study's recommendations, developing and issuing invitation for bids based on the approved course of action, and then conducting the construction.

Mr. Johnson also requested guidance from the Board as to their preferred funding mechanism for the directed envelope study. The Board's guidance was to involve the School Committee in developing a proposed mechanism, as the request for this project originated from the School Committee.

Mr. Johnson reported that he and the town's DPW have been coordinating proposed efforts to "clean-up" the central parking area in preparation for Maynard Fest. He also referenced a proposal to re-brand the parking area as "Nason Court".

14. Chairman's Report

Mr. DiSilva commented on the Market Basket Ground breaking event at 129 Parker Street, September 17, 2019. He added that it marked a great day for Maynard and the future here in town.

Mr. DiSilva asked the Town Administration to get a current list of businesses that have signed leases at 129 Parker Street.

Mr. DiSilva mentioned that the Council on Aging Director Ms. Loveless is looking for more space for senior activities. The Boys and Girls Club is an option but we will need to fund that option.

15. Board Member Report

Ms. Levine-Piro no comments.

Ms. St. John referenced a news article about the water in Stow regarding PFAS contaminants were tested in comparison to the federally accepted levels, and that Stow is concerned. She asked if Maynard can do a press release regarding Maynard's level as we are testing much better.

Ms. St. John reported that she attended the recent meeting of Maynard's Economic Development Committee (EDC) with the Beijing Royal China School present.

Ms. St. John asked Town Administration to invite a member from the new Capital Planning Committee join us on the Sub-Budget Committee.

Ms. St. John reported that this weekend the Maynard Boys Scouts Troop 130 is running event on Friday from 4:30 pm to 6:45 pm in the parking lot at St. Bridget's and on Saturday at the Farmers Market handing out the "files of life".

Mr. Gavin also agreed about the Scouts handing out the "files of life" is a good idea.

Mr. Gavin commented on the incident at the Corner Store in Maynard, in that it is not a reflection on Maynard.

Mr. Diarbekirian referenced the Board of Selectmen minutes from September 10, 2019 in that he agrees we should have a joint meeting with Board of Selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee and others to discuss "All Things Maynard".

16. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Gavin to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

Approved: 7:03pm.
Date: 10/1/19



Melissa Levine-Piro, Clerk/Selectman

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